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U.S. Patent Documents

1. U.S. Application Serial No. 10/316,251, filed in the name of Eilam et al. on December 10, 2002 and entitled "Methods and Apparatus for Dynamic Allocation of Servers to a Plurality of Customers to Maximize the Revenue of a Server Farm."
2. U.S. Application Serial No. 09/832,438, filed in the name of Liu et al. on April 10, 2001 and entitled "Apparatus and Methods for Maximizing Service-Level-Agreement Profits."
3. U.S. Application Serial No. 09/559,065, filed in the name of Goldszmidt et al. on April 28, 2000 and entitled "Method and Apparatus for Dynamically Adjusting Resources Assigned to

Plurality of Customers, for Meeting Service Level Agreements (SLAs) with Minimal Resources, and Allowing Common Pools of Resources to be Used Across Plural Customers on a Demand Basis.”

4. U.S. Application Serial No. 09/543,207, filed on April 5, 2000 and entitled “Highly Scalable System and Method of Regulating Internet Traffic to Server Farm to Support (MIN,MAX) Bandwidth Usage-Based Service Level Agreements.”

5. U.S. Patent No. 6,567,824 issued on 05/20/03 to Fox

6. U.S. Patent No. 6,526,392 issued on 02/25/03 to Dietrich et al.

7. U.S. Patent No. 6,101,484 issued on 08/08/00 to Halbert et al.

8. U.S. Patent No. 6,085,164 issued on 07/04/00 to Smith et al.

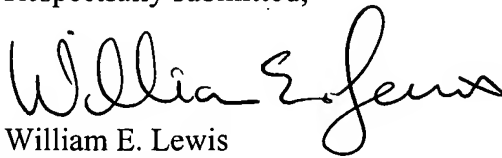
9. U.S. Patent No. 5,255,184 issued on 10/19/93 to Hornick et al.

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